

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) A discharge device, which includes a discharge electrode including a plurality of discharge parts and a counter electrode including a plurality of counter parts confronting the discharge parts, for performing streamer discharge by applying voltage to both the electrodes by a power source, wherein means, characterized in that:

a resistor is provided in a current carrying path between the power source ~~means~~ and the counter parts,

the resistor is made of a conductive resin material, and

the resin material melts at a temperature lower than an ignition temperature thereof.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) A discharge device, which includes a discharge electrode including a plurality of discharge parts and a counter electrode including a plurality of counter parts confronting the discharge parts, for performing streamer discharge by applying voltage to both the electrodes by a power source, The discharge device of any one of Claims 7 to 9,

wherein the counter electrode includes a counter side support member for supporting the plurality of counter parts, and

the counter side support member is composed of the resistor.

11. (Original) The discharge device of Claim 10,

wherein the counter electrode includes the plurality of counter parts and a plurality of counter side support members for supporting the counter parts.

12. (Currently amended) A discharge device, which includes a discharge electrode including a plurality of discharge parts and a counter electrode including a plurality of counter parts confronting the discharge parts, for performing streamer discharge by applying voltage to both the electrodes by a power source, The discharge device of Claim 7,

wherein the counter electrode is provided with a resin material that melts at a temperature lower than an ignition temperature thereof,

a conductive part for allowing the counter parts to be conductive with the power source means is formed at the resin material, and

the resistor is provided at the conductive part.

13. (Currently amended) An air purifier, which includes a discharge device for performing streamer discharge between a discharge electrode and a counter electrode, for performing air purification of to-be-treated air by allowing the to-be-treated air to flow between the electrodes, wherein characterized in that:

the discharge device is the discharge device of any one of claims 7, 10 and 12 claim 1.